

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method, comprising the steps of:
5 determining a device associated with an identity;
 determining a media capability associated with said device;
 determining availability information for said media capability; and
 providing data indicative of said availability information.
- 10 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
 receiving a request for information regarding media channel
 availability for said identity.
- 15 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
 receiving a request for information regarding media channel
 availability for said device.
- 20 4. The method of claim 1, wherein said step of providing data indicative of
 said availability information includes displaying an interface indicative of said
 availability information.
- 25 5. The method of claim 4, wherein said interface provides information
 identifying said device.
6. The method of claim 4, wherein said interface provides information
 identifying said identity.
7. The method of claim 4, wherein said interface provides information
 identifying an identity context associated with said identity.
- 30 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

determining a device context for said device.

9. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
determining a rule governing availability of said media channel.

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10. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
determining a rule that governs how availability of said media
channel is to be determined.

- 10 11. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
determining an identity context for said identity.

12. The method of claim 1, wherein said step of determining said device
associated with said identity includes determining multiple devices associated
15 with said identity.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein said step of determining said media
capability associated with said device includes determining at least one media
capability for each of said multiple devices.

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14. The method of claim 13, wherein said step of determining availability
information for said media capability includes determining availability
information for each of said at least one media capability for each of said
multiple devices.

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15. The method of claim 14, wherein said step of providing data indicative of
said availability information includes providing data indicative of availability
information for each of said at least one media capability for each of said
multiple devices.

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16. A system, comprising:

a context agent, said context agent adapted to determine a device associated with an identity; determine a media capability associated with said device; determine availability information for said media capability; and provide data indicative of said availability information.

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17. An article of manufacture comprising:
a computer readable medium having stored thereon instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause said processor to:

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determine a device associated with a identity;
determine a media capability associated with said device;
determine availability information for said media capability; and
provide data indicative of said availability information.

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18. A system, comprising:

a processor;

a communication port coupled to said processor and adapted to communicate with at least one device; and

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a storage device coupled to said processor and storing instructions adapted to be executed by said processor to:

determine a device associated with an identity;
determine a media capability associated with said device;
determine availability information for said media capability;

and

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provide data indicative of said availability information.